

I write to ask you to take action to protect migratory birds by:

- beginning a systematic review of communication tower and bird mortality issues;
- instituting a research program, funded by the communications industry, to identify tower placement, design and lighting conditions that result in bird mortality;
- undertaking environmental reviews of all existing towers to assess their placement and design with regard to migratory bird impacts;
- requiring that all proposed towers be subjected to rigorous environmental reviews;
- and implementing immediate protections based on existing knowledge, such as the voluntary tower siting and placement guidelines developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

I thank you so much for your time.